# 2018 Benefits Open Enrollment Nov. 1 – 15

# **2018 Key Benefits Changes**

### **ALL employee benefit groups**

- Flexible Spending Accounts: The 2018 max health care FSA contribution limit will increase to \$2,600.
- New administrator for Flexible Spending Accounts and COBRA: Navia Benefit Solutions will replace WageWorks as the administrator of our Flexible Spending Accounts and COBRA/Retire Medical plan.

### **Regular Employees**

- **KingCare Select (Regence):** A new medical plan option—KingCare Select—will be offered. KingCare Select members choose one of four Accountable Health Networks (AHNs) in the Puget Sound region.
- **Domestic Partners:** Employee benefits will no longer be offered to unmarried partners and their children unless a state-registered domestic partnership has been established.

### **ATU 587 Transit Employees**

- KingCare Select (Regence): A new medical plan option—KingCare Select—will be offered. KingCare Select members choose one of four Accountable Health Networks (AHNs) in the Puget Sound region.
- Benefit Access Fees: Next year, the monthly Benefit Access Fee for covering a spouse or state-registered domestic partner who has access to other medical coverage will be increasing, as follows:
  - Kaiser Permanente's SmartCare Connect plan: \$75 (was \$50)
  - KingCare (Regence) plan: \$150 (was \$ 125)
  - New KingCare Select (Regence) plan: \$75
- ATU 587 members with King County medical coverage will have **one** medical expense level (Gold) in 2018. Healthy Incentives colors no longer determine their out-of-pocket medical expense level.
- Emergency room copay for the KingCare (Regence) plan is increasing to \$175 (was \$100)
- **Domestic Partners:** Employee benefits will no longer be offered to unmarried partners and their children unless a state-registered domestic partnership has been established.
- Part-time Partial Pay Transit ATU 587: There will no longer be the option to make pre-tax premium payments.

## **Deputy Sheriffs**

• No additional changes take effect Jan. 1, 2018.

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